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1. The following are quality requirements [redacted] 25X1
 [redacted] for monthly shipments of 300,000 x 200,000 IU of Penicillin G Sodium from East Germany to the China National Chemicals & Sundries Import Corporation, Peiping, China, during the period January - December 1955: 1
 - a. 200,000 IU per bottle; thermostability above 30° C; nontoxic, sterile, pyrogen-free; penicillin content per milligram not under 1500 IU; penicillin G content not under 90%; content ~~at least 95%~~ that indicated on the label. 25X1
 Water content not above 1%; the crystals must be entirely soluble in water; the solution must be colorless, clear, and free of insoluble matter.
 - b. Period of efficacy: three years, counted from the departure from the factory. To be shipped immediately upon manufacture.
 - c. The crates must be labeled to indicate: priority shipment; priority loading; protection from heat.
 - d. Ten bottles per carton; the total weight of one crate must not exceed 100 kilograms.
2. In December 1954 the contract was cancelled by the Chinese import firm, because a delivery sent on approval in November did not meet quality requirements. The drug contained less than 90% penicillin G, and the difference between the data on the labels of the bottles and the actual contents was greater than 5%. 25X1

1. [redacted] Comment. The penicillin to be delivered to China is probably a product of VEB Jenapharm in Jena. 25X1

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